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In Re Patent Application of:  Manjunath Jagannatharao et al.  Application No.: 09/746,514  Filed: December 22, 2000  For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR GRACEFUL SLOWLINK DELETION AND SUBSEQUENT FAST LINK ADDITION IN AN IMA GROUP	Examiner: David E. Odland  Art Unit: 2662  Confirmation No.: 1055  <u>Certificate of Mailing</u> I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage in an envelope addressed to the Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on <u>08/17/2005</u> .  <u>Judy L. Steinhaus</u> (Typed or printed name of person mailing correspondence)  (Signature of person mailing correspondence)
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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed February 17, 2005 for the above-referenced application, applicant respectfully requests that the following amendment and remarks be considered. A Request for Continued Examination is filed herewith.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.